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18 March 1958

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 18 March 1958

Director of Central Intelligence
Allen W. Dulles
Presiding*

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell
Presiding*

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Gordon Arneson, acting for Director of Intelligence and Research,
Department of State
Major General Robert A. Schow, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence,
Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Laurence H. Frost, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General Millard Lewis, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence,
United States Air Force
Brigadier General Richard Collins, Deputy Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff
Mr. Charles H. Reichardt, acting for Atomic Energy Commission
representative to the IAC
Mr. Ralph R. Roach, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation
representative to the IAC

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1. Approval of Minutes
11 March Meeting
(IAC-M-332)

Approved as written.

2. Situation Review

- a. Watch Committee Report
No. 397

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estimate on the longer-range implications of various developments. The members concurred in this procedure.

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3. Discussion of NSC Action with
Respect to IAC-USCIB Merger
and Revision of NSCIDs

a. IAC-USCIB Merger

The members noted the record of NSC action indicating Presidential approval of the recommendation of the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities that a single group be established to assist and advise the Director of Central Intelligence in discharging his responsibility for the coordination of all operations concerned with both special and other forms of intelligence which, together, constitute the foreign intelligence effort of the US. The members then discussed in considerable detail various problems involved in carrying out this decision. After discussion the members agreed that the Chairman should attempt to arrange a meeting at the earliest convenient date between Generals Cutler and Hull (together with members of their staffs as appropriate) and the members of the IAC and USCIB to endeavor to clarify certain questions and generally to review matters related to implementation of this action.

b. Revision of NSCIDs

The members noted the NSC action approving the draft NSCIDs Nos. 1 through 5, subject to the direction to modify paragraph 17 of NSCID No. 1 and paragraph 4 of NSCID No. 2 in certain respects. Proposed amendments of these paragraphs circulated by General Truscott were then reviewed. Tentative agreement was reached on an amended version of paragraph 17 of NSCID No. 1 but final action was deferred until the next regular IAC meeting at Mr. Roach's request. The members concurred in an amended version of paragraph 4 of NSCID No. 2.

The members also noted the record of NSC action with respect to the revised NSCID No. 6 and NSCID No. 7 (NSC Action

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The members concurred in the recommendation of General Cabell, who was then presiding, that, for administrative convenience, the effective date of those NSCIDs which had been finally approved by the NSC should be 1 April.

With respect to a question raised by General Collins, General Truscott expressed the view that it would not be essential that new DCIDs be approved before the NSCIDs went into effect. In this connection, General Cabell noted that revised DCIDs would come before the IAC separately over a period of time and the members concurred in his suggestion that the new DCIDs should be effective as of the time they received IAC approval.

4. Proposed DCID 1/3
Priority National
Intelligence Objectives
(Memorandum to IAC, 12 March)

Approved subject to the amendment of para. 1 d on page 3 to read: "Present and future Soviet capabilities for defense against nuclear attack by aircraft and missiles."

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In this connection, Mr. Montague noted that appropriate subcommittees would proceed with the preparation of subsidiary priority objectives and that after IAC approval these subsidiary objectives would be published in one volume with the over-all PNIOs, pursuant to an earlier decision of the IAC (IAC-M-319, item 4).

5. NIE 54-58

The Outlook for Ceylon

a. Approved as amended. In this connection, Mr. Montague noted that a post-mortem would be submitted at a later IAC meeting but that no validity study would be prepared as there had been no prior NIE on this country.

b. No member objected to the release of this estimate to USIA.

6. Proposed Reconsideration
of SNIE 11-10-57
(IAC-D-81/16, 5 March)

After General Collins explained the reason for his proposal, Mr. Kent noted that evidence bearing on this and other aspects of the Soviet missile program were being currently reviewed by the agencies and GMIC in connection with the forthcoming over-all missile estimate (NIE 11-5-58) and suggested several alternative courses of action. After discussion the members agreed not to reexamine SNIE 11-10-57 formally at this time. However, it was understood that, at the first IAC meeting following submission of the GMIC contribution to NIE 11-5-58, the question of undertaking an SNIE on the Soviet ICBM program would be reviewed again, in the light of that GMIC contribution.

7. Release of Minutes to
President's Board

The Chairman noted a request by the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities that they be placed on the regular distribution list for IAC minutes and the members agreed that this be done.

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Adjournment: 1230



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